OBITUARIES

Alfred W. Baldock

GLASGOW - Alfred W. Baldock, 80, died Thursday afternoon in a Lexington nursing home. He was retired from the Signal Division of Norfolk and Western Railroad Co.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Virginia Holland Baldock; one son, A. William Baldock of Amherst; one brother, J. J. Baldock of Lynchburg; one sister, Mrs. W. R. Moon of Shipman, four half-sisters, Mrs. W. W. Gwinn, Mrs. Orval King and Miss Lillian Leete of Oak Hill, W. Va., and Mrs. Hope Christian of Gladstone and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday at St. John's Episcopal Church of Glasgow, with burial in Glasgow Cemetery.

Lomax Funeral Home, Buena Vista, was in charge of arrangements.

J. Taylor Guill, Sr.

Joel Taylor Guill, Sr., 76, of 101 Adams Drive, Lynchburg, died Saturday morning at 5 a.m. at his home after a long illness.

Born May 4, 1901, in Appomattox County, he was a son of the late Joel L. Guill and Bertha Carter Guill. His wife was the late Anne Slemp Guill. He was a member of Parkview United Methodist Church, a retired employe of Craddock-Terry Shoe Corp. and a member of the Quarter Century Club.

He is survived by two sons, J. T. Guill, Jr. of Lynchburg and Aston Hale Guill of Mayo, Md.; one daughter, Mrs. Eloise Guill Gordon of Lynchburg; three brothers, Jimmy Guill and Julian Guill, both of Appomattox, and Dan T. Guill of Lynchburg; five sisters, Mrs. Hester Witt of Lynchburg, Mrs. Clara Mitchell, Mrs. Fred Robertson and Mrs. Percy George, all of Appomattox, and Mrs. Zack Collins of Danville, four stepgrandchildren and seven stepgreat-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at 11 a.m. Monday in Virginia Funeral Chapel with interment in Fort Hill Memorial Park.

Tucker T. Cheatham

Tucker Thomas Cheatham, 83, of Appomattox, died at 5:30 a.m. Saturday in Lynchburg General Hospital. He was the husband of the late Helen Harsch Cheatham.

Born in Appomattox County, he was a son of the late Hudson Cheatham and Molly Evans Cheatham. He was a World War I veteran, and a retired salesman for the Proctor & Gamble Co.

He is survived by one brother, Zack E. Cheatham of Evergreen, two sisters, Mrs. Annie Bingham of Lynchburg and Mrs. Alice Babcock of Columbia, S.C., and a number of nieces and nephews.

Graveside funeral services were held Sunday at 2 p.m. in Evergreen Cemetery by the Rev. David L. Bailey.

Robinson Funeral, Appomattox, was in charge of arrangements.

James King Day

Funeral services for James King Day of Rt. 2, Box 133, Gladstone were held at 2 p.m. Sunday at Mt. Airy Baptist Church in Appomattox.

West Funeral Home, Appomattox, was in charge of arrangements.

William B. Miller, Jr.

William Burt Miller Jr., 61, of 501 Lucado Place, Lynchburg, died at 10:27 p.m. Saturday in Lynchburg General Hospital. He was the husband of the late Nola Shelton Miller.

Born in Mattson, Miss., he was a son of the late William Burt and Pauline Gilbert Miller. He was a retired cafe operator.

He is survived by two sons, James M. Miller of Pamplin and William D. Miller of Lynchburg; two daughters, Pauline M. Fulcher and Betty M. Miller of Lynchburg; a brother, Gilbert R. Miller of Bude, Miss.; two half-brothers, Thomas Miller of Santa Ana, Calif. and John Miller of Manitowoc, Wis.; two half-sisters, Miss Billie J. Miller of Memphis and Hazel M. Romano of Germantown, Tenn., and five grandchildren.

Graveside services were conducted at 3 p.m. Monday in the mausoleum at Fort Hill Memorial Park by the Rev. Ervin A. Brown, III.

Whitten Park Avenue Chapel was in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Walter R. Pearce

Mrs. Myrtle Banton Pearce, 72, of 508 Euclid Ave., Lynchburg died at her residence Monday night.

Born in Nelson County, she was a daughter of the late Robert Branchford and Virginia Kincaid. She was the widow of Walter Raymond Pearce. A deaconess in College Hill Baptist Church, she was a retired employee of Imperial Reading Co.

She is survivied by two daughters, Mrs. Herbert (Buddy) Stokes, and Mrs. Jack St. Clair, both of Lynchburg; four brothers Percy C. Banton of Fork Union, Homer Banton and Lester Banton both o Madison Heights and Edward Banton of Amherst, two sisters, Mrs. Carlton Burruss of Lynchburg and Mrs. James Phelps of Gladstone and four grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted in College Hill Baptist Church at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday by the Rev. Rodney Hale and the Rev. J. j. Bowman. Interment was in the Mulberry Grove Baptist Church Cemetery in Buckingham County at 1:30 p.m.

Diuguid Memorial Chapel was in charge of the arrangements.

CHESTNUT GROVE

Mr. and Mrs. Russell L. Harris accompanied bv H. Flood Harris of Green Bay attended homecoming at Bethel Baptist Church at Phenix.

Tommy Mottley of Burkeville was a Sunday visitor of Mr. and Mrs. Kemper Beasley, Sr.

Ethel Proffitt left Sunday for Ferrum College for her second year.

The Young Adult Class of The Chestnut Grove Baptist Church and their families enjoyed a picnic at Bear Creek Lake Sunday night.

Tuesday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Cook were Mrs. Larry Jones and family of Virginia Beach; Mrs Henry Layne of Green Bay.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bryan and family and Allen Bruhen all of Knoxville, Tenn. were recent guests in the home of the Rev and Mrs. Dott Bryan.

The Rev. John E. Mann of Arvonia has accepted the pastorate of Chestnut Grove Baptist Church. Preaching services will be at 11:00 A.M. on the first and third Sundays and at 10:00 A.M. on the second and fourth Sundays, starting the first Sunday in September.

Mrs. Bob Bryan attended the Associational officers workshop at Eagle Eyrie Friday and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Morris attended the 25th wedding anniversary celebration of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Seay at Richmond on Monday night.

Kenneth David Cook of Prospect spent a part of last week with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Cook.

Visitors during the weekend in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Morris were Robert Glover of Lynchburg, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Mann, Wilber and Roma Glover all of Dillwyn, Mr. and Mrs. C. Hensen Morris of Appomattox.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Woodson of Lynchburg were recent visitors of her sister Mrs. Beulah Morris.

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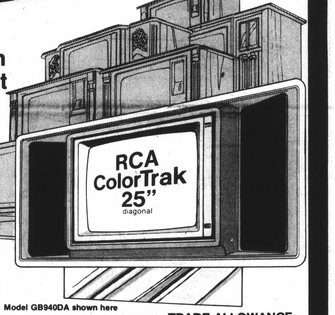

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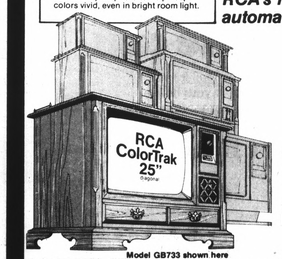

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GOOD NEWS FOR HOMEMAKERS

By Shirley W. Walton
Extension Agent

Converting Your Favorite Recipe for Slow-Cookery Methods

The following are suggestins for converting and/or adapting your favorite recipes to slow cookery methods:

1. The slow cooker pot should be at least ½ full for best results.

2. Most raw meat and vegetable combinations need at least 8 hours of cooking.

3. Because little moisture evaporates during slow cooking, reduce the amount of liquid by half. One cup of liquid is adequate for most recipes cooked in the slow cooker. For soup recipes, add all ingredients except water or broth to the pot. Then add only enough liquid to cover ingredients.

4. Reduce amount of seasoning to correspond with reduced amount of liquid. Use whole or leaf herbs and spices rather than crushed or ground forms.

5. Because milk, sour or sweet cream and cheese break down during long periods of cooking, add just before serving or substitute with undiluted condensed canned soups or evaporated milk. Processed cheese tends to give better results than aged cheese.

6. Fatty meat, such as pork, should be either trimmed or browned to remove excess fat before cooking. Slow cookers with removable pots designed for range top use are ideal for browning purposes. Pork roasts can be broiled for 15 to 20 minutes to remove excess fat. Less tender and more economical cuts of meat are better suited for slow cookers as compared to expensive cuts.

7. Fresh or thawed seafood and fish disintegrate during long hours of cooking. Add these ingredients an hour before serving and cook on your highest heat setting during that last hour.

8. Add partially frozen or canned vegetables, Chinese vegetables and fresh mushrooms during the last hour of cooking. Strong flavored vegetables such as spinach, eggplant, okra and collard greens should be precooked before adding to the slow cooker ingredients. The amount of onions should be reduced for its flavor intensifies during cooking. For even cooking a fresh vegetable, slice uniformly in small sizes, such as one inch or as close to the bottom of the slow cooker as possible. For best results for a meat-vegetable main dish in a slow cooker, place the meat in the pot first, then spread the vegetables around it evenly over the meat. In most cases, fresh vegetables take longer to cook than meat, because the liquid simmers and does not boil. NOTE: Raw potatoes will darken if not completely covered by liquid.

9. Rice and pasta products may either be cooked separately or added uncooked during the last hour of cooking. If added raw, make sure there is at least a cup to one and a half cups of liquid in the pot.

10. To thicken juices for gravies or sauces, add two tablespoons of quick-cooking tapioca to start or thicken after cooking by removing solid foods and thickening juices with a smooth paste of two to four tablespoons of cornstarch or flour and ½ cup cold water. Bring to a boil on the high setting of your slow cooker. If the pot is removable from the heat base and styled for range top use, the thickness process could be quickened.

11. To retain heat, moisture and food flavor, don't remove the cover during the cooking unless it is necessary for stirring in additional ingredients. You lose heat everytime you remove the lid.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK
SQUASH CASSEROLE

2 lb. yellow summer squash or zucchini, thinly sliced (about 6 cups)
½ medium onion, chopped
1 cup pared shredded carrot
1 can (10¼ oz.) condensed cream of chicken soup
1 cup sour cream
¼ cup flour
1 pkg. (8 oz.) seasoned stuffing crumbs
½ cup butter or margarine, melted

In large bowl, combine squash, onion, carrot and soup. Mix sour cream and flour; stir into vegetables. Toss stuffing crumbs with butter and place half in slow cooker. Add vegetable mixture and top with remaining stuffing crumbs. Cover and cook on low setting for 7 to 9 hours. 4 to 6 servings (about 2½ quarts). Can be baked at 350°F. for 1 hour in oven.

The Critical Period of the Drought

AUGUST 24 - "We are still in the critical period of the drought. The periodic rains may temporarily improve the situation for some farmers, but will not help those farmers who have already lost crops because of the unseasonable warm weather we have been having," said Commissioner S. Mason Carbaugh of the Virginia Department of Agriculture.

The Commissioner noted that the rains of last week were not of a sufficient amount in the Shenandoah Valley and in the area that stretches from Albemarle, Louisa, Orange and Spotsylvania to be of much help.

"We will have less production in most crops hit by the drought this year, how much less we will not know until the end of the seasons for individual crops. At the moment it is safe to say that the corn and hay crops have suffered the greatest loss. Parched pasture lands have placed an added burden on the livestock producers who have had to buy hay they were able in the past to produce themselves. However, the grain harvest that is now underway in the eastern part of the state may be of some help to farmers seeking feedstuff for their animals."

The Commissioner reminded farmers that an additional federal appropriation has been made for the ASCS Drought and Flood Conservation program. Applications for assistance should be filed prior to the Sept. 30, 1977, deadline. Farmers requesting assistance under the program must complete the work authorized by Nov. 30, 1977.

Farmers who qualify for this program will be provided up to 80 percent of the cost of carrying out needed water and soil conservation practices on farms affected by the drought. Eligible practices include drilling wells, modifying irrigation systems to conserve water, establishing or replacing vegetative cover, building ponds and water catchments and other measures to prevent wind and water erosion and evaporation.

The Commissioner noted that his office had received information that nurserymen in the dry areas have indicated significant losses in their nursery stock. "Many of these people," he pointed out, "are eligible for loans from either the Farmers Home Administration or the Small Business Administration.

"The Department," he said, "is continuing to monitor the program on a week-to-week basis and issuing reports on feed availability for those farmers who are in need. This is being done by the use of the Drought Assitance telephone located in the Department and the release of lists of available feed dealers."

VA QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

EDITOR'S NOTE- Following are representative questions answered daily by VA counselors. Full information is available at any VA office.

Q - What is farm cooperative training?

A - An eligible veteran on this program is concurrently enrolled in an institution taking agricultural courses and engaged in full-time agricultural employment which is considered to be related.

Q - How long after separation do I have to convert my Servicemen's Group Life Insurance to Veterans Group Life Insurance (VGLI)?

A - A veteran may convert to VGLI within 120 days after separation. Beyond that, and up to one year from date of separation, medical evidence of insurability must also be submitted. If totally disabled at separation, conversion may be effected up to one year from date of separation.

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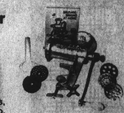

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